

PARISH BULLETIN
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- WEEKEND MASS SATURDAY 4:00pm SUNDAY 9:00am & (11:00am)
 (Livestreamed)
 - WEEKDAY MASS - TUESDAYS TO FRIDAYS - 8:30am – All are Welcome!
 - EVENING MASS - THURSDAYS - 7:00pm – All are Welcome!
- Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30am- 3:30pm - (514) 481-0267 Ext. 221
(Closed: 12:00pm – 1:00pm) – (No Mass on Mondays)
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE (30) MINUTES BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS

Marriages: Contact the Parish Office **6 months in advance** (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221

Baptisms: Telephone: 514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221 or email the Parish Office: st-monica@videotron.ca

Parish Registration: Forms are located at the entrance doors. Please enter **ALL** your contact information and kindly give it to an Usher or place it in the collection baskets. If you want Donation Envelopes with a Registered Box number, please indicate it on your form and one will be assigned to you after you have been contacted. Year-end Tax Receipts will be mailed.

On-Line donations – Please register at: www.stmonica.ca CanadaHelps – Give



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CELEBRATING THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS: ALL SAINTS' AND ALL SOULS' DAY

In the Catholic liturgical calendar, **November 1st and 2nd** are two deeply significant days: **All Saints' Day** and **All Souls' Day**. Though they are separate observances, the Church places them side by side to remind us of the full communion of the Church—those in Heaven, those being purified, and those still on earth. These days reflect the Church's teaching on the **Communion of Saints** and the eternal destiny of the human soul.

All Saints' Day, celebrated on **November 1st**, is Solemnity, one of the highest feast days in the Church. On this day, we honor all the saints—not just those officially canonized, but also the countless unknown saints who now share in the glory of Heaven. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 2683) teaches that saints are “the witnesses who have preceded us into the kingdom... they continue to participate in the salvation of the world.” These holy men and women lived faithful lives and now enjoy the beatific vision—seeing God face to face. They are our models and our intercessors. This day reminds us of our calling to holiness and that sanctity is possible for everyone, not just a few.

All Souls' Day, on **November 2nd**, follows immediately to emphasize another aspect of the Church's faith: prayer for the dead. This is the day we remember and pray for all the faithful departed who are still undergoing purification in Purgatory before entering Heaven. The Church bases this practice on Scripture and Tradition. In 2 Maccabees 12:46, it says, “*It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead.*” The Catechism (CCC 1030–1032) affirms that those who die in God's grace, but still need purification, benefit from our prayers and sacrifices. By praying for them—especially through the Holy Mass—we assist them on their journey to eternal life.

The Church places these days together to show the unity of the Church Triumphant (saints in Heaven), the Church Suffering (souls in Purgatory), and the Church Militant (us on earth). This reflects the depth of our faith: that death does not separate us from one another in Christ. We are united in love, prayer, and hope.

Together, these feasts call us to look beyond this life. All Saints' Day shows us our goal: Heaven. All Souls' Day reminds us of our responsibility to love and assist those still being purified. It is a beautiful expression of the mercy and justice of God, and the deep bond of love that ties the Church together across time and eternity.

To make these celebrations more **personal, meaningful, and spiritually nourishing**, I warmly invite you all to join us for the special Masses offered on these days.

We will celebrate **All Saints' Day on Saturday, November 1st**, at **8:30 AM Mass**, commemorating this solemn feast with reverence and joy.

As **November 2nd falls on a Sunday** this year, we will observe **All Souls' Day at all three Sunday Masses**. As in previous years, to make this day more personal and heartfelt, we invite you to **bring a photograph of your departed loved ones** and place it on the **designated table in front of the altar** before Mass begins. To avoid any last-minute rush, please arrive early and have the photo ready.

Our volunteers will assist you in lighting a candle in their memory. We encourage you to invite your family and friends to join us for these special occasions. Please remember to **take the photograph home** with you after Mass.

Let us come together in prayer and love, honoring the saints and lifting the souls of our faithful departed, as one family in Christ.

As in previous years, our **Book of the Names of the Dead** is placed at the back of the church. We invite you to **inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones** whom you wish to be remembered in prayer during the month of **November**. If a name has already been entered in previous years, there is **no need to repeat it**. Throughout the entire month, we will **faithfully remember and pray for all the souls listed** in this book during our Masses and community prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS: October 25 - 31, 2025

Saturday, 4:00pm – October 25, 2025: 30TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leonard & Terry Winslade

Peter Duffy

Pasquale D'Addio

Giulia Marchione

Bob & Do Parsons

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Franca & Children

Elena Di Meglio

Sunday, 9:00am – October 26, 2025: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Constancio Dacuycuy & Rosalina Vea

Maura Dacuycuy

Sunday, 11:00am – October 26, 2025: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ireneo Gutierrez

Soul of Robert Liautaud

The Cullen Family

Virginia Lanni

Connie Ramila

Elizabeth & Family

Jane Cullen

Family

Tuesday, 8:30am – October 28, 2025 – FEAST – Saint Simon & Saint Jude

Clara Chung Park

Giovanna, Pietro, Americo, Argeo Forlini

Stella & Gil Lee

Vincenzina Ferrara

Wednesday, 8:30am – October 29, 2025: Weekday

Ilario & Stellina Maiolo

Margaret McGee

Family

Family

Thursday, 8:30am - October 30, 2025 – Weekday

Peter & Judy Johnson

Thursday, 7:00pm

Regina Schillings & Blair Robb

Virginia & Fred Nanouris

Doug Robb

Friday, 8:30am – October 31, 2025: Weekday

Teresina Tonini

Luisa, Giovanni & Salvatore Coppa

Living – Olivia Lee & Adrian Bright

Tonini Family

Di Meglio Family

Stella & Gil Lee